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MEMORANDUM FOR: DD/P-I&R (Chief)

SUBJECT: Proposed BGFIEND/VALUABLE Meeting

1. As your office is undoubtedly aware, this Division has learned from [] in London ([] 7634, IN 26041) that M.I. 6 is willing to hold a meeting with representatives of CIA to discuss joint BGFIEND/VALUABLE problems. The British have proposed that this meeting take place in Athens before 15 June.

2. After discussion with [] Deputy Chief, PP Staff, we feel that such a meeting would be desirable but would prefer that it be held in Washington. Our chief reason for preferring Washington is that we would find it very difficult to spare personnel at this time for a meeting in Athens.

3. We therefore request that you inform [] that we accept the British proposal for such a meeting but would prefer to have it in Washington and that we hope that among the British officers attending will be [] and []

[] We propose that CIA be represented at this meeting by

[] and myself. [] is the representative of BGFIEND who is now in the United States for a brief visit. [] is chief of the PM Staff [] and has long been associated with BGFIEND.

4. We have no objections to the agenda proposed by [] in the cable informing us of their willingness to hold the meeting, but we intend to ask them by cable to forward a more detailed agenda, since the individual subjects were stated in very general terms.

5. We intend to notify M.I. 6 through our London liaison of the contents of this memorandum but thought also that you might wish to inform []

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